## State of Michigan State Board of Education

## RESOLUTION

## NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK October 13-17, 2008

WHEREAS, school districts around the nation will celebrate National School Lunch Week from October 13-17, 2008; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme for National School Lunch Week, entitled *Vote for School Lunch 2008 – Presidential Edition*, presents an excellent opportunity to promote school lunch programs statewide and to emphasize the importance of child nutrition; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program has served our nation admirably for over 60 years through advanced practices and nutrition education; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program is dedicated to the health and well-being of our nation's children; and

WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program has been joined through the years by many other excellent child feeding programs; and there is evidence of continued need for nutrition education and awareness of the value of school nutrition programs; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Board of Education recognizes that children who are provided breakfast and lunch daily are better prepared for the classroom environment, being able to focus solely on their learning, rather than a basic biological need; and

WHEREAS, it is important for all Michigan communities to understand that education and proper child nutrition go hand in hand; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education continues to recognize and takes great pleasure in commending the men and women who accept and meet the daily challenge of providing school lunches to our children; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the week of October 13-17, 2008, be recognized as NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK in Michigan; and be it further

RESOLVED, That National School Lunch Week be devoted to the recognition of everyone who contributes to the successful operation of our state's school lunch food service programs; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That this special week serve as a fitting time to urge all Michigan residents to become aware and concerned about their children's and their own nutrition habits, in hope of achieving a more healthful citizenry for today and the future.



Kathleen N. Straus, President

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Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman and Superintendent of Public Instruction